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A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The estimated initial cost of the scheme is Rs. 13,25,500. The Government have no information as to the probable recurring expenditure.

(*c*) No.

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" May I know what is the necessity for creating a new medical college in Vellore ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" We want to have more trained women."

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" Are there sufficient hospitals in Vellore for training medical women ? Is there a maternity hospital there or a lunatic asylum or an ophthalmic hospital or are Government going to construct all these institutions for the education of women at Vellore ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" Government are not going to do that."

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" Are the Government going to pay half the cost ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" They are not going to pay half the cost."

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" Are they going to pay anything towards the cost at all ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" Rupees 5 lakhs."

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" What is the necessity then to create this college when you have not got sufficient number of students in the college at Vizagapatam ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" Because all the students in the Presidency cannot be congregated in one place and there must be centres in suitable places."

Proposal for abolition of Medical schools in the Presidency.

* 81 Q.—Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state whether the Government propose to abolish some of the Medical schools in the Presidency, and if so, why ?

A.—The reorganization of medical education is under consideration and will be placed before the Advisory Committee and it is premature to say what steps they may suggest.

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" Where is the necessity for curtailing the number of medical schools if there is need for building a new school at Vellore ? Where is the necessity for closing down some of the existing schools ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" The question is premature, because it was never said that the Government have decided to close down any schools ; but apart from that, they want to have separate schools for men and women."

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" I want to know whether women are excluded from the existing colleges in Madras and Vizagapatam."